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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION: TERRORISM, PAKISTAN, COPENHAGEN, IRAQ; NEW DELHI.

This countrywide cable reports on relevant media reaction/opinion from India's large non-English press. The Mission reports on English-language media via email through the daily "Early Edition" summary.

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TERRORISM  
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¶1. "A RESPONSIBLE U.S. MEDIA SPARED FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST," op-ed in left-of-center Marathi daily, APLA MAHANAGAR: "The U.S. media should be congratulated for the balanced and sober coverage of the attempted act of terrorism aboard a flight that landed in Detroit on Friday. The media was not in a hurry to hold responsible the Department of Homeland Security, and particularly the Transportation Security Administration, which had obviously failed in tightening layers of security measures at the nation's airports."

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PAKISTAN  
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¶2. "BLASTS IN KARACHI," editorial in December 30 right-of-center Urdu daily, HINDUSTAN EXPRESS: "Militant organizations are waging a war against Pakistan and its government. Pakistan is not ready to accept that it is reaping what was sown by the ISI and other Pakistani agencies. Pakistan never accepted that political use of

terrorism would be dangerous for Pakistan as well as for its neighbors. It is very easy to blame alien forces for Shia-Sunni riots in various parts of the country. It is possible that such alien forces may be hatching such conspiracies, but it will be harder for Pakistani leadership to explain who laid the foundation of these subversive activities."

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COPENHAGEN  
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13. "A NEW ROLE," editorial in December 31 Kolkata Bengali daily, ANANDABAZAR PATRIKA: "The year 2009 will remain memorable for various reasons, one of these being the issue of the environment. The Copenhagen Summit could not deliver anything. Although a face-saving 'deal' under the leadership of President Obama was struck, all hopes and aspirations to check environmental pollution depend on the industrially developed nations, as well as on the goodwill of India and China."

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IRAQ  
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14. "FRUITS OF IRAQ WAR," op-ed in December 24 right-of-center Urdu daily, ETEMAAD: "It is known to all that the intention of the U.S. and its Western allies behind

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the Iraq invasion was to capture the huge Iraqi oil reserves. After killing 1.3 million Iraqi Muslims, and inflicting a loss around \$2 trillion, Western powers at last have gained control over the oil fields. These destructive and plundering Western forces have been successful in getting control over the most precious oil reservoirs of the Middle East."

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